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SUBJECT: COVERAGE SHIFT CONTINGENCY

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- 1. WE ESTIMATE WE WOULD REQUIRE TWO MONITORS (ONE ARAPIC, ONE PERSIAN) ABOVE OUR CURRENT T/O TO COVER PROGRAMS AND PRESSCASTS LISTED IN REF. OUR CALCULATIONS ARE BASED ON STANDARD 3 HOURS MONITORING-5 HOURS PROCESSING FORMULA FOR VOICECASTS, AND 6 HOURS OF PRESS EQUALS 1 HOUR OF VOICE. WE ESTIMATE ACTUAL ADDITIONAL DAILY WORDAGE WOULD BE ABOUT 1900, INCLUDING 250 IN PERSIAN. BULK OF ARABIC WORDAGE WOULD BE FROM WAKH AND SPA. WORDAGE ESTIMATES DERIVED FROM AVERAGING GULF'S PRODUCTION REPORTS FOR THESE SOURCES DURING LAST 6 MONTHS.
- 2. ON PAPER, IT MIGHT APPEAR THAT WE COULD HANDLE THE WORDAGE PRODUCTIVITY WITHIN OUR EXISTING ARAPIC-PERSIAN T/O. BUT THE CRUNCHER IS THE EXTRA LISTENING TIME. IT WOULD ADD THE EQUIVALENT OF 8-9 HOURS DAILY FOR THE ARAPIC SECTION. WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ABSORB 6 HOURS WITH EXISTING T/O BUT THAT WILL STILL LEAVE 3 HOURS THAT MUST BE PICKED UP BY ANOTHER BODY. AND EVEN ABSORBING THE 6 HOURS WILL PLACE A STRAIN ON OUR RESOURCES AND PARTICULARLY OUR MULTISPEAKER OPEN-WATCH CAPABILITIES. AS FOR THE PERSIAN, 3.5 HOURS MORE PER DAY, PLUS 2.5 HOURS ON SATURDAYS-SUNDAYS, SAYS IT ALL.
- 3. AT PRESENT WE HAVE ONE VACANCY IN OUR ARABIC SECTION. WE EXPECT TO TERMINATE ONF TRAINEF THIS SUMMER. A SECOND TRAINEE IS STILL UNCERTAIN WHETHER SHE WANTS TO REMAIN ON

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- 4. MY ASSUMPTION IS THAT ANY APPROACH TO GOC TO RAISE OUR CURRECT T/O WILL AUTOMATICALLY TRIGGER RENEGOTIATION OF EXISTING AGREEMENT. GOC RAISED THIS ISSUE LAST JUNE WHEN ANNUAL PAYMENT WAS DUE, AND I ASSUME IT WILL AGAIN BE RAISED THIS YEAR. IF THIS IS CASE, I SEE NO WAY WE CAN AVOID ISSUE. IF GOC DOES NOT RAISE ISSUE IN JUNE, THEN WE CAN ONLY MAKE OUR REQUESTS AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS. BUT BEFORE DOING SO, I WOULD ASSUME WE WOULD ASK AMBASSADOR TO MAKE SOME DISCREET PROBES.
- 5. WE TOO ASSUME WE COULD ASSUME EXTRA COVERAGE WITH NO INCREASE IN TTY OR U.S. STAFF T/O.
- 6. OUR VIEW IS THAT ADDING SMALL DISH ON COMPOUND OF OUR NEW SITE SHOULD NOT BE A PROBLEM. BUT GOO MIGHT HAVE OTHER IDEAS. WE HAVE ALREADY ADVISED HOS THAT IF ANY PENEGOTIATION TAKES PLACE ON CURRENT AGREEMENT, WE SHOULD INSERT CLAUSE THAT GIVES US FREEDOM TO DEPLOY ALL AND ANY TYPE OF ANTENNAS WE REQUIRE TO CARRY OUT OUR MISSION.
- 7. RECEPTION OF TEHRAN DOMESTIC, ACCORDING TO OUR CRUISING RECORDS, IS GOOD-FAIR THROUGHOUT THE DAY, SUFFICIENT FOR PROCESSING AND PATCHING.
- 8. ON BASIS OF FXISTING EQUIPMENT HERE, WE WOULD REQUIRE FOLLOWING TO ASSUME THIS ADDITIONAL COVERAGE:
 - -2 ARABIC PRINTERS
- 3 COLLINS 651S RECEIVERS (IF WJ8718'S WERE TO BE USED, WE'D NEED 4)
 - 2 FREDERICK 1203 CONVERTERS
- 4 TRG OR DELTA MULTICOUPLERS (IF REACTION INSTRUMENT MULTICOUPLERS WERE TO BE USED, WE'D REQUIRE 9)

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BUT MONITORING STATIONS AND EQUIPMENT PLANNED FOR NEW BUREAU WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO HANDLE THIS COVERAGE.

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